

# November Bridge

Beth El Congregation

## A Message from our Rabbi

Capturing the spirit of the High Holidays Throughout the Year

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With the Jewish calendar running late this year it has only been a few weeks since the High Holidays and now we are almost heading into the American holiday season. Before too long we will be setting our clocks back, celebrating Thanksgiving and moving into the cold of winter. We had such a remarkable time observing the high holidays together – our first fully in person high holiday services in three years, and my first in person High Holidays with you. Now that the High Holidays are over it's time to remain committed to those promises we made ourselves during the High Holidays.

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Join us for the other activities our Temple offers – from the activities of our men's club and sisterhood, to the family services we offer for our religious school families; from the classes we offer to the programs we have during the year such as celebrating Hanukkah together. Participate in Tzedakah – join us in our social action committee or get involved with Faith in Action. Keep your children and families involved. Even for those who are mostly conscious of their heritage during the High Holidays – consider doing a little more, attending just one or two more Temple events.

I really enjoyed seeing so many of you on our high holidays. Don't make it another year before we see you again. We'd love to see you sooner!

## A Message from our President

I hope everyone had a great month

I continue to be filled with optimism for our congregation in our return to normalcy.

I want to tell the congregation of a very generous gift that Andy Kohen is giving to the Temple in memory of his late wife Janet. With Andy's donation the board was able to pass a motion to purchase new prayer books for the High Holy Days. We have used the current Gates of Repentance for as long as I can remember, and the board agreed that it was time to update our prayer books. There is a one book for Rosh Hashanah and one book for Yom Kippur. **Andy is donating 100 sets of the two books.** I feel certain everyone will enjoy the updated prayers and readings. All congregants will have the opportunity to purchase the two-volume set at the same cost. If you would like to purchase a set for yourself, please just let me know. Andy, this donation in Janet's honor is just another way that you have shown your love for our Temple. Thank you, thank you, and THANK YOU.

October started off with Yom Kippur. Services were well attended, and we had over 50 people at the break the fast. This was our first communal break the fast in three years. Thank you Men's Club for sponsoring the break the fast.

The men's club hosted the Lions Club for their dinner meeting. We served our "world famous" spaghetti sauce to the enjoyment of everyone. This was the first time in 3 years that we have opened the Temple to the Lions Club.

Temple Beth El was just part of the Faith in Action meeting at Wilbur Pence Middle School. Faith in Action is made up of over 30 Religious groups in the area. The two objectives this year are to greatly improve

public transportation and childcare. Our group caucused after the speeches, and we voted unanimously to support the 2 proposals. After the caucuses, there was a roll call of each group. I, very proudly, got to represent Beth El during the roll call and was very proud to announce our support for the two proposals and that we pledged to bring 20 people to the meeting and that we actually brought 28 to the meeting. Kudos for everyone who came to support this endeavor. Thank you Frances Flannery for all your work and leading our team.

October ended with the **Bat Mitzvah of Quinn Webb**. Quinn did a great job and should be very proud of herself as I'm sure her family is. What a way to end the month. It was certainly nice to see so many people attending services. Congratulations and thank you to the Webb for putting on a "great show".

We will continue to live stream ALL Rabbi led services for those unable to attend. I will say that there is something special about attending a live service and being part of our communal gathering. We will continue to have sponsored ONEGs twice a month. I'm hoping to see many of you for service to support those who are taking the time to sponsor an ONEG. If you would like to sponsor an ONEG, please give Margee a call.

A mission of mercy. Zissel Duda, who is Ukrainian is asking for donations of NEW winter clothes or blankets for Ukraine. Sizes can be from children to adults. The winter will be cold, and many places will not have electricity. Zissel will drive the donations to the Ukrainian Church in Maryland, where they will be shipped to Ukraine. You can even order something and have it shipped to Zissel at P O Box 384, Luray VA 22835. I thank you and Zissel certainly thanks you. This is a true MITZVAH.

May everyone be blessed with health and contentment during the coming month(s).

## November Yahrzeits

**1**

Selma Miller *Member*  
Sadie Spiro  
Fredrick Nessen  
Samuel Freed 1954  
Linda Renick 2011 *Phil Renick's Mother*  
Dan Kohn 2020 *Liz Webb's Uncle*

**2**

Selina Ney 1945 *Member*  
Bruno Freudenthal *Judy Freudenthal's Father*  
Lawrence Loewner 1955 *Member, Mayor of Harrisonburg*  
Jack Stein 2004 *Gary Stein's Father*  
Sylvia Lankin 2012 *Phil Renick's Grandmother*  
Ruth Clayman 2014 *Member*

**3**

Louis Perlman *Milton Perlman's Brother*

**4**

Albert Lubman 1968 *Member*  
Mildred Lucus 1998 *Rachelle Dorn's Aunt*

**5**

Gussie Myers *Joyce Helbraun's Mother*  
Sam Hirsch  
Louis Wides 1962

**6**

Mathieu Poster 2013

**7**

Eva Brooslin 1956 *Ruth Clayman's Mother*

**9**

Annie Ney 1979 *Member*  
(*Bill Ney's & Leo Zindler's Grandmother*)

**10**

Nathan Ratner 1989 *Laurie Schwalb's Father*  
Barbara Rotondo 1994

**12**

Irene Nusbaum *Member*  
 Levy Rogers 1998 *Catherine Rogers' Father*  
 Frances M. Stewart 2014 *Companion of Eddie Ney*

**15**

Minna Mintzer *Member*  
 Ada Krim  
 Dr. Henry Helbraun *Erwin Helbraun's Brother*

**17**

Rivas Tatum Hirsch 1913 *Member*  
 Charles Schweitzer *Thea Golub's Father*  
 Linda Gurowitz 2020 *Leslie Harris's Stepmother*

**19**

Baby Ney 1920  
 Sybil Rose 2002 *Member, Bo Rose's Mother*

**20**

Caroline Ash 1965

**21**

Ida Miller 1939 *Member*  
 Monroe Nussbaum 1986  
 Rhoda Paroly 2015 *Elaine Schreiber's Mother*  
 Alan Gould 2017 *Member*

**22**

Kathie Ney 1980  
 Saul Robinson 2011 *Member*

**23**

Albert Wise 1904 *Member*  
 David Myerberg 1986 *Member*  
 Dave Levy 1931 *Member*  
 Doris Freed 1969

**25**

Isaac Ney 1941 *Member*

**26**

Sam Fishman  
 Sophie Miller 2015 *Mona Wolf's Mother*

**28**

Sam Blatt 1965 *Frank Blatt's Grandfather*  
 Zvi Hirsch *Derechinsky Max's Father*

**29**

Edward Poster 1955 *Alan Poster's Father*  
 Kate Schneider *Jayne Rynar's Mother*

**30**

Sylvan Ney 1977 *Member*  
 Miriam Banker 2014

## Recent Donations

Michael & Nancy Clayman – Yahrzeit -Ruth Clayman

Ron Rubin – In Honor of Quinn Webb's Bat Mitzvah

Edward Ney & Margee Greenfield-Ney – Yahrzeit -  
 Frances Stewart

Eric & Jayne Rynar – Yahrzeit -Kate Schneider

Andy Kohen – Donation for the prayer books

Trubitz Family Trust – Various Yahrzeits

Pam Ungar – Shanna Tova

Catherine Rogers – Shana Tova

Elliot Robinson– Various Yahrzeits; donation to First  
 Step and Faith in Action

Mike & Nancy Clayman – Various Yahrzeits

Valerie Stephens – Donation to Beth El General Fund

Sarah Blackstone – Social Justice Fund

# BETH EL CONGREGATION

## NOV2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01	02		03	04
		Crash Course in Jewish History 7:00 pm Zoom	Ethics Class 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm Zoom		Rabbi-led Shabbat Services 7:30 pm Sponsored Oneg Livestream also	Torah Study 10:30 am Zoom
	06	07	08	09	10	11
Religious School 9:30 am		Crash Course in Jewish History 7:00 pm Zoom	Ethics Class 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm Zoom		Family Shabbat Dinner 6:00 pm followed by Rabbi-led Family Shabbat Services	Torah Study 10:30 am Zoom
	13	14	15	16	17	18
Religious School 9:30 am	Sisterhood Dinner 6.00 pm followed by 6:30 pm Meeting	Crash Course in Jewish History 7:00 pm Zoom	Ethics Class 12:00 pm Zoom  Board Meeting 6:30 pm Zoom also		Rabbi-led Shabbat Services 7:30 pm Sponsored Oneg Livestream also	Torah Study 10:30 am Zoom
	20	21	22	23	24	25
Religious School 9:30 am					Lay Services 7:30 pm	
	27	28	29	30		
		Crash Course in Jewish History 7:00 pm Zoom	Ethics Class 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm Zoom			